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SUBJ: CIVAIR: VISIT WORLD AIRWAYS PRESIDENT

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1. AMBASSADOR AUGUST 21 DISCUSSED JORDAN VISIT AND EXTENSIVE TRAVELS WITH DALY AT LATTER'S REQUEST. DALY REVIEWED FOR AMBASSADOR DEVELOPMENTS AT EACH STOP WHICH WE PRESUME HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY POSTS CONCERNED.

2. NEW DEVELOPMENTS: IN JORDAN DALY IS INTERESTED IN FURTHER EXPANDING HIS HOTEL INTERESTS (HOLIDAY INN) WITH POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF HOTEL IN AQABA WHERE HOLIDAY INN IS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

3. IN ADDITION TO HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW, AND HELP IN HIS APPOINTMENT THERE, DALY ASKED IF EMBASSY MOSCOW COULD ASSIST IN HIS REQUEST FOR FLIGHT CLEARANCE (REFTEL B).

4. FINALLY, DALY SAYS HE WANTS TO GO BACK TO SAIGON. HE ASKED AMBASSADOR HOW THIS COULD BE DONE. AMBASSADOR INDICATED THAT HE HAD NO REAL IDEA, BUT SUGGESTED THAT SOMEWHERE POSSIBLY IN MOSCOW, HE MIGHT FIND REPRESENTATIVES OF NEW REGIME TO REACT TO HIS REQUEST. WE GAVE HIM NO REAL ENCOURAGEMENT FROM HERE THAT HE COULD GET IN OR THAT USG WOULD LOOK ON SUCH A VISIT WITH FAVOR, ALTHOUGH
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FROM DALY'S COMMENTS TO US, USG ATTITUDE IS NOT LIKELY

TO MAKE AN AWFUL LOT OF DIFFERENCE IN HIS OWN
PERCEPTIONS. HE OFFERED NO REASONS, EXCEPT TO SAY:
(1) WE HAVE UNFINISHED BUSINESS THERE, AND (2) IT WOULD
MAKE A LOT OF SENSE FOR THE US TO INDICATE SOME CONTINUING
INTEREST IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND TO DO SO SOON, ALTHOUGH
"I REALIZE, I AM NOT THE GOVERNMENT," ETC.

5. IF DEPARTMENT HAS ANY VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT TO PASS ON
TO DALY, HE WILL BE HERE FOR ANOTHER 24 TO 48 HOURS.
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